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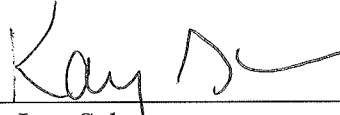
ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS
37 C.F.R. § 1.27(c)(1)

Dear Sir:

The owner of record of the above-identified patent, Fritz Industries, Inc., qualifies as a small entity. Small entity status is therefore asserted for this patent.

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